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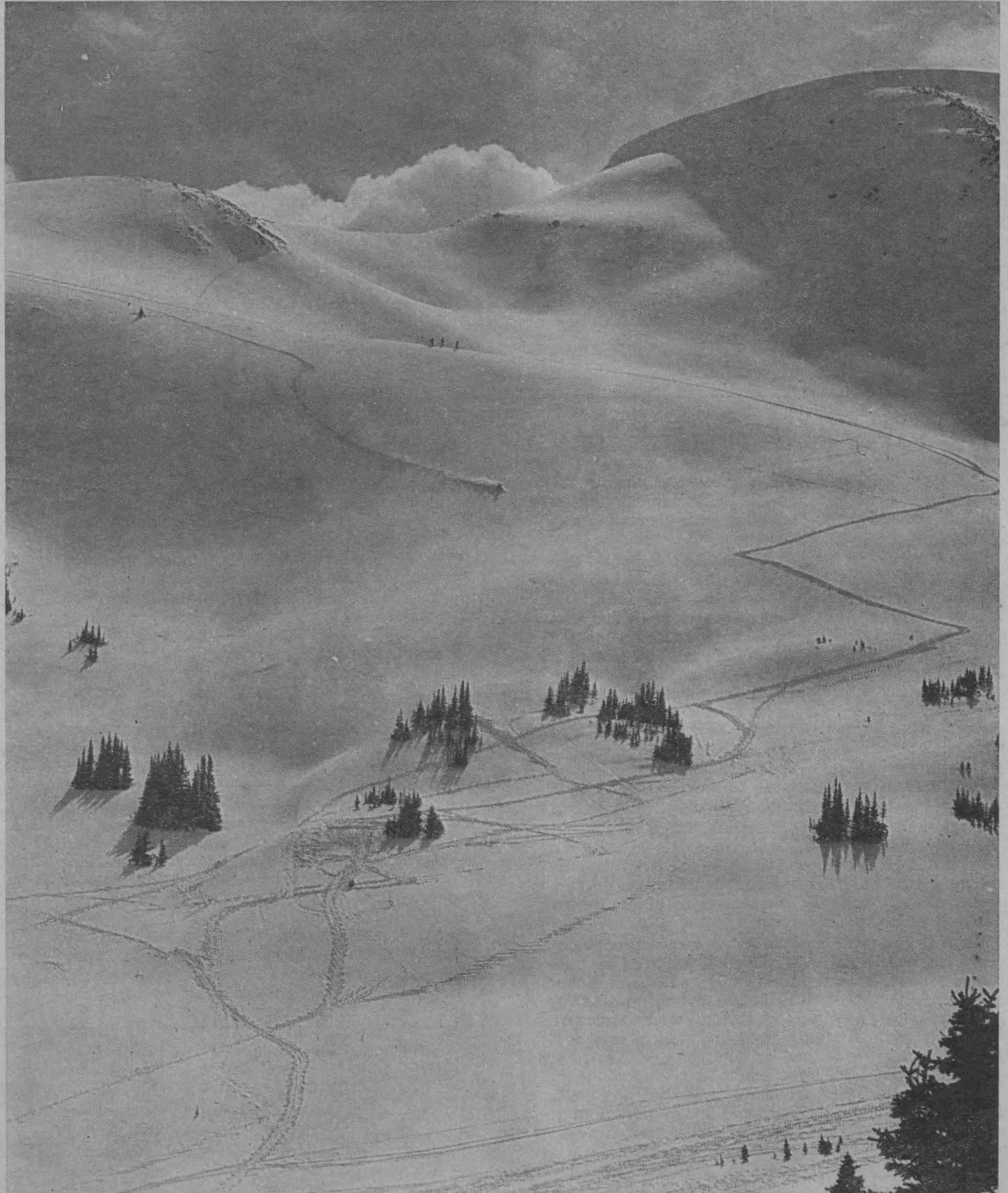


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Mr. Russel Stanger, Assistant Conductor of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra discusses "sharps and flats" with two Western Command Army musicians. From left are Capt. H. A. Jeffrey, Director of Music, PPCLI Band, Capt. A. Brown, the Command's Inspector of Bands, and Mr. Stanger.

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The Griesbach Chairman's New Year's Message

The Year 1962 has been a successful one for the Community. Our normal cultural entertainment and recreational activities have continued with increasing success.

In the field of culture, I am pleased to report that our Community library enjoyed a substantial increase in numbers of books loaned out over the year 1961. Unfortunately, nature dealt us a serious blow in the form of a severe windstorm in October which blew off the roof of our library. However, repairs have been made, the bulk of the books have been salvaged and the librarians are now busily reorganizing and recataloguing the books and the library should be ready for reopening in January of 1963. As a result of the Bank and Post Office moving to other accommodations in the Barracks, we will now have twice as much room for a library. It is intended to purchase a large number of new books, for both adults and children, prior to the reopening.

Our annual Community Fair was the most successful thus far and it is hoped, once again, to improve the quality of this big event in 1963. Council is, at the present time, considering the advisability of holding a winter carnival early in 1963. More news will be forthcoming shortly regarding this event.

More children participated in recreational activities than ever before. Our boys' baseball program was unfortunately curtailed due to very unfavourable weather conditions. A girls' softball league was organized for the first time. A boys' bantam football team participated in a City of Edmonton league and had a very successful season.

One of Council's major financial undertakings in the past year was the construction of two wading pools which operated under supervision for a period of a month. It is hoped that weather will permit a much longer period of operation in the summer of 1963.

The boys' hockey leagues have been organized, and the first game will have been played on the 15th of December. The Community rink has been

greatly improved and a better system of supervision will be provided. A casual ice skating sheet is being established adjacent to the rink for free skating, and rink attendants will ensure that only skating and NO hockey sticks will be permitted during certain specified periods each day. Council has also arranged the rental of Edmonton Gardens for one and a half hours each Saturday morning for the purpose of hockey practices and skating.

The other recreational activities, including tennis, badminton, shooting and archery were all active during the year. It is hoped that a gymnasium club can be started this winter.

Investigations are under way to improve our Community snack bar facilities. The Area Commander has appointed a committee to look into this matter, and a decision should be forthcoming early in 1963.

As reported in a recent issue of this newspaper, a new system for the selection of councillors has been adopted for one year trial. The new system is based on representation on Council on a unit basis rather than by wards. As a result, we now have a full slate of councillors, which is easing the Council's work considerably.

The Council executive and all councillors wish all readers a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year. They wish to take this opportunity to thank all residents who actively participated and assisted in Griesbach Community activities during the past year.

FACING THE FUTURE

(by Patience Strong)

Dark the horizon with fears

overcast —

But let us take heart and

remember the past:

The struggles endured and the

great things achieved,

The victories won and the

blessings received.

There is a challenge before us

today —

But bright is the prospect when

Faith leads the way.

Problems beset us but we shall

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Gymnastic

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THE BEST in the NEW YEAR

NAMED COLONEL COMANDANT OF RCASC



A distinguished Canadian soldier, Major-General M. L. Brennan, OBE, CD, Ottawa, retired from a 35-year military career since 1958, has accepted the appointment of Colonel Commandant of the Royal Canadian Army Service Corps.

Major-General Brennan enlisted in the RCASC as a private in 1922, climaxing his service as adjutant-general of the Canadian Army.

He rose through the ranks until 1939 when he was commissioned in his corps as a lieutenant.

Two years later he was a major and in 1942 proceeded overseas commanding RCASC troops of the 5th Canadian Armoured Division.

Promotion to Lieutenant-Colonel came in December, 1942, after which he held senior appointments with RCASC units in England and Northwest Europe.

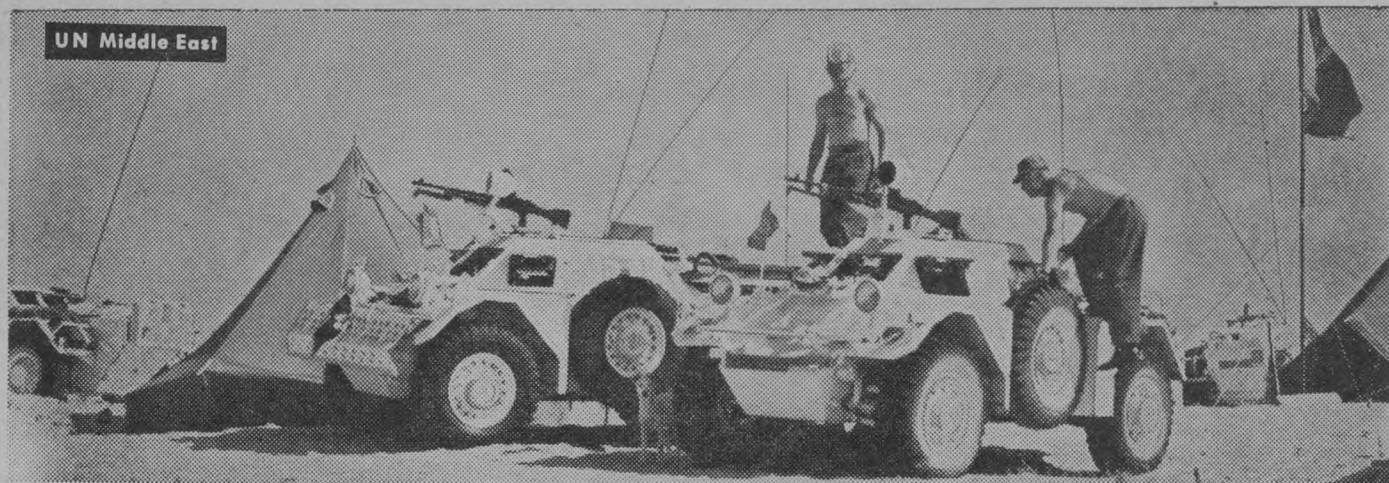
On return to Canada in 1944 he was promoted a colonel and appointed to command the RCASC Training Centre at Camp Borden.

Post war appointments included Director of Supplies and Transport at Army Headquarters, Officer in Charge of Administration at Headquarters, Central Command, Oakville, Ont., and in 1951, on promotion to brigadier, became Director General of Army Personnel.

He held this position until November, 1954, when he was appointed Adjutant-General and promoted a major-general.

Major-General Brennan is Director of the Community Planning Association of Canada with Headquarters in Ottawa.

Canadians Abroad Complete Another Successive Year



During the past year Canada's continuing commitments to the United Nations and North Atlantic Treaty Organization have seen Canadian Army personnel in many foreign lands. TOP: Canadian soldiers serving with United Nations in the Middle East prepare their Scout cars prior to carrying out a desert patrol along the Egyptian-Israeli demarcation line. These patrols are constantly on the alert to prevent incidents that might renew open hostilities in this troubled desert region. CENTRE: On duty with the United Nations Emergency Forces in the Congo, Canadian soldiers sandbag their headquarters in

Elisabethville, while others lay a telephone line through the tough jungle elephant grass that grows taller than a man's head. Canada's role in the Congo is to maintain communications between the scattered outposts of the United Nations force. BOTTOM: Members of Canada's Infantry Brigade Group in Europe undergo rigorous battle exercises as part of their extensive training to maintain a state of combat readiness while serving with the NATO land forces in Germany.

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Two senior warrant officers of the Royal Canadian Engineers have been commissioned as lieutenants.

They are A. J. Salkus, Halifax, N.S., and J. W. Passmore, CD, Edmonton, Alta.

Lt. Salkus will be employed at the Army Control Centre, Nan-

imo, B.C., which is part of the National Survival Attack Warning System of Western Command.

Lt. Passmore will serve with the Army Control Centre in Camp Borden starting next month. His military career began August 2, 1939, when he joined the Permanent Force at Esquimalt, B.C.

Namoo Square Dance Club



The weekly Square Dance at Namoo School is proving very successful. We have a good caller, Syd Deguire from St. Albert, and instruction is going ahead full swing, with 3 or 4 squares of beginners.

A Christmas party was planned and a delicious repast arranged, with exchange of gifts, and we hope a Santa!

Some of the members visited the "Beverly Noy-Burrs" Square Dance Club last month for a very enjoyable evening and were given a good work-out by caller Ed Murray and even learned a new round dance named "By the Sea"!

Hope to see all you ex/Square Dancers any Saturday night at Namoo School at 2030 hrs. for any

information contact Roger Arcand SW 9-3398, President.

"LA PLUME DE MA TANTE EST SUR LE BUREAU DE MON ONCLE"

OTTAWA — In a "give and take" arrangement, the Regular Army is increasing its standard of bilingualism.

Three junior officers from English-speaking regiments are taking language training in French at the Royal 22e Regiment Depot in Quebec City, and will be posted to a "Van Doos" battalion for a tour of duty afterward. In exchange, three French-Canadian officers from the Royal 22e Regiment will take their places with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry and the Royal Canadian Regiment.

The "cross-posting", as the Army calls it, is one of several training plans in effect to ensure that the Army becomes as bilingual as possible.

Officers involved are Lt. A. B. Paxton of Victoria, Lt. R. B. Stock of Timmins, Ont., both officers of the PPCLI, and Lt. A. Raudsepp of St. Catherine's of the RCR, all of whom are now at Quebec City studying French prior to service with the "Van Doos".

In exchange, three officers of the Royal 22e Regiment will move early in 1963 to English-speaking battalions. Lt. G. P. E. Lapointe of Beauceville, Que. and 2nd Lt. J. J. Gravel of West Chicoutimi, Que. will go to the 2nd Battalion PPCLI in Edmonton, and 2nd Lt. F. R. J. Charbonneau of Ottawa will go to the 2nd Battalion RCR in London, Ont.

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Globe Trotting Nurse

OTTAWA — Have you ever longed for an adventure-packed life of work and travel that carried you to the far corners of the Globe



A recently promoted Canadian Army nurse, Captain M. L. E. (Eva) Levesque of Estcourt, Que., now at the National Defence Medical Centre in Ottawa has shown that singular determination and initiative can open wide the portals of travel and adventure.

Born and raised in a small Quebec community, Capt. Levesque attended high school in Montreal and later received the degree of registered nurse from Sacred Heart Hospital at Cartierville, Que. With an inherent zest for adventure and her degree in hand she applied for a commission with the Canadian Army in 1956 at Montreal.

After short stays at military hospitals in Quebec City and Camp Borden, Ont., she was transferred to Fort Churchill, Man., — a large military base situated on the barren shore of Hudson's Bay. During the year spent there she

often, in her capacity as a nurse, came in contact with the legendary inhabitants of the north, the Indians and Eskimos.

In 1958, Capt. (then Lieutenant) Levesque was sent to Germany to serve with Canada's 4th Canadian Infantry Brigade Group. To a less venturesome soul this was just another job. To Capt. Levesque it was the chance of a lifetime. Now the pages of oft-read history and geography books would come to life.

To obtain the maximum benefit from her three year stay on the continent she purchased a car and set out across the land at every opportunity, and be planning her annual leaves carefully she was able to visit France, Italy, Belgium, Holland, Austria, Switzerland, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Yugoslavia and Greece.

Unable to drive by car to the middle east, she booked passage and flew there she visited Lebanon, Syria and biblical Palestine.

Extensive travel, rather than dampening her quest for adventure, has only seemed to whet her appetite for much more of the same. She returned to Canada only last year but has already "flown the coop" by taking this year's vacation in Haiti.

In addition to "globe trotting" Capt. Levesque has other interests (beside being a top-flight nurse, that is). She is presently attending the University of Ottawa in her free time, taking courses in political geography and the history of education.

A sports enthusiast, she became a member of the Canadian Army Ski Club at Camp Fortune in the Gatineau Hills, last year, and while admittedly not "very good" hopes to do better this year.

Assist Environmental Research Studies

OTTAWA — Six soldiers from the Army's Central Command, Oakville, Ont., have been accepted as volunteer human experimental subjects at the Defence Research Medical Laboratories, Downsview, Ont., to undertake Environmental Research Studies.

Purpose of the experimentation is to find out the factors that effect men and women in the performance of their duties in the RCN, Army and RCAF, in peace and war.

With this information the Armed Forces can make plans and design systems to ensure the most effective use of human capabilities and to compensate for human weaknesses.

Chemicals, test tubes, electronic instruments, mechanical apparatus and experimental animals provide only some of the answers to human problems. Human experimental subjects are therefore required.

Three of the six soldiers will be replaced after three weeks — the remainder will be relieved after six weeks.

The RCAF will provide volunteers for a further period of six weeks while the RCN is slated for a final period.

Questions for which answers are required include: What effect has clothing on a man's ability to solve problems in the heat? What causes the feeling of dizziness when a person is rotated? What conditions effect one's ability to see a very fine line?

Additional questions are: Does the amount of meat in the diet before exposure to heat or cold affect a man's reaction during a subsequent exposure? Does noise increase or decrease the ability for mental concentration? How do we learn? What factors influence memory? How should the knobs, scales, tables, writing surfaces and viewing screens in a cockpit, control panel or command position be placed to minimize the chances of mistakes by the human operator? What conditions affect the maintenance of alertness by a man performing a vital but inherently monotonous job?

The duties of some of the vol-

unteer subjects will be very light. weeks.

However, other subjects as determined by the nature of the experiment, may be on duty 24 hours a day for several days or

The Institute of Aviation Medicine, Toronto, will medically supervise all volunteer subjects participating in the test program.

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The Feminine Side

By Irene Macdonald

Resolved that...

A New Year starting and once again a wonderful opportunity to start afresh. To tackle some of those things which we have been promising ourselves to do for long, and to improve our lot in general.

Unfortunately the new year also brings fresh problems, one of these that may face us is having to prepare a small child for an operation. As most mothers have to go through this at some time or other, I thought you might appreciate my passing on the helpful advice offered in an interesting article I have been reading.

For instance, the very first question your child will ask is, "Will it hurt?" to which we must answer frankly, "Yes, but not for long and it will soon be over." Another question quite a few children will ask is, "Will I die?" Usually a firm "No" should be sufficient in answer to this, unless the child has had a recent experience with death in which case a good idea would be to mention this to your doctor, so

that he can give your child further reassurance.

It is best not to tell the child too much, they are really not interested in minute details and to go into things too deeply might only scare the patient.

Having the tonsils out is a common operation, and the easiest was to explain this is by saying the doctor will 'remove' them after he or she is asleep. Avoid using the word 'cut' it can have unpleasant associations. Telling the child that the doctor will use a 'little' instrument to remove the tonsils will also help.

If the child is to stay in the hospital overnight or longer, he should be prepared for this before he leaves home. You can always jolly him along by telling him about the other children he will be making friends with, etc.

Don't ever suggest that the doctor will discipline him if he doesn't behave himself, you'll probably have to drag him there by the hair! Children recover from surgery and in no time at all he will be bragging about his operation.

JOINT COMBINED EXERCISE PLANNED

EDMONTON — Canadian Army units will again take part in the annual Alaskan Command cold weather manoeuvre scheduled for February, it was announced today by the Department of National Defence.

The manoeuvre will be a joint combined exercise involving Alaskan Command units and Army and Air Force units from the Continental United States.

Airborne elements of Edmonton's 2nd Battalion, Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry commanded by Major D. G. MacLeod of Armstrong, B.C., will also take part in the mid-Alaska combat exercise, as they did last year.

Most U.S. military units, Army and Air Force, coming from outside Alaska are United States Strike Command Units.

Stricom, commanded by General Paul D. Adams, was established last year to provide integrated, mobile, highly combat-ready forces to be instantly available for deployment to any part of the globe.

General George W. Munday, USAF Commander-in-Chief, Alaska, has designated Major-General Ned D. Doore, Commanding General, United States Army, Alaska, as Manoeuvre Director. Gen-

eral Moore's staff will include Army, Navy and Air Force officers.

Exercise "Timber Line", scheduled for mid-February, will be staged over the same area used in last winter's exercise "Great Bear". The area, an undeveloped strip of wilderness running for some 130 miles east of the Alaska Highway from Tanacross to Eilson Air Force Base near Fairbanks, Alaska, is about 3,200 square miles in size, and is one of the two coldest regions in North America.

The 1st Battle Group, 23rd Infantry, from Fort Richardson, Alaska, will play the aggressor force during exercise Timber Line. It will face a friendly force of U.S. combat units coming to Alaska from "South of the 48", and the Canadian troops coming from Western Command.

The joint exercise will be supported by Air Force tactical and troop carrier units of the Alaskan Air Command and other U.S.A.F. Commands. Timber Line is expected to involve about 8,000 men. Army combat units of Stricom will train near Tanacross for about two weeks prior to the start of the field exercise.

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NUTS AND BOLTS

Sunday, 9 December, 1962, was the occasion of the Annual RCME Children's Christmas Party held at the PPCLI PT Lounge. Most of the children and their parents arrived early and were served without delay, with ice cream and soft drinks for the children and hot coffee for the parents.

The children were then seated in the lounge and sang Christmas Songs and Carols with great enthusiasm. Three movie cartoons were shown interspersed by more singing and visits to the counter to replenish soft drink and ice cream needs. The arrival of Santa was greeted with great excitement and anticipation. After gifts were distributed the children received their Christmas stockings of candy and recommenced "moping - up" operations on the remaining ice creams and pop. The parents meantime, had had their fill of coffee and doughnuts and were no doubt glad to know that it was all over for another year. This was a very successful party and our thanks go to all members of the unit who helped make it so.

Sportwise, the Workshop curlers are in the doldrums, but no doubt will recoup their losses as the season progresses. The bowlers are steadily improving, and No. 1 Team are creeping up on the leading opposition teams.

Cfn. Winkel has returned from Kingston after successfully completing a Weapon Technician Course. His visit with us will be brief, arranging movement of his

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family, and then he will be off again to his new posting to Montreal. Bonne chance, Winkel. All members both military and civilian of 224 Workshop RCME wish to take this opportunity of extending Seasons Greetings to the Editor and Staff of the Griesbach Bugle and to all the many readers.

THE GRIESBACH BOYS' HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



From left to right and front to back are a lot of enthusiastic youngsters that comprise the various teams in the Garrison. The photo was taken at the Edmonton Gardens where the boys play each Saturday morning.

THE GRIESBACH BOYS' HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

The 'A' League of our Boys Hockey Association started practices at the Edmonton Gardens on 6 October, 'B' League started on the 20 October and 'C' League League started on 3 November. All leagues are now getting equal ice time at the gardens for practice periods. Our ice time at the Gardens is every Saturday morning from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. One half hour of this time is allotted to our beginners, (known as the Tyro League) every Saturday morning. All other leagues get one hour every third Saturday.

A lot of work has been done so far this season to balance all teams by means of putting all boys through drills at the Gardens and placing them in leagues according to their ability to skate and handle a hockey stick. This work has been done by the coaches and the chairmen, with the very able assistance of Maj. Johnston.

Early in October Sqn. Leader Faurot of HQ Western Command, volunteered to undertake the job of President of the Griesbach Boys Hockey Association and on the 30 October called a meeting to elect an Executive Committee. The Committee members nominated are as follows:

Vice-President — Sgt. Turnbull
Secretary — Sgt. Nakamoto
Asst. Secretary — Sgt. Snider
Equipment Member — Sgt. Switzer
Ice Member — Cpl. Einarsen
Griesbach Council Representatives

Maj. Hennie
Mr. H. Dale

League Chairmen:

'A' League — Lt. Pollock
'B' League — Sgt. Turnbull
'C' League — Maj. Wozny
Chief Referee — Lt. Scrutton

The following volunteered to be managers, coaches, assistant coaches and referees:

'A' League: Cpl. Peterson, Cpl. Lowry, Cpl. Einedson, 2 PPCLI; Sgt. McAllister, Capt. Bateman, Capt. Partridge, Sgt. Bordeleau, HQ Western Command; Lieutenant McManus, 13 Coy. RCASC.

'B' League: Sgt. Dodd, Sgt. Hood, 2 PPCLI; Sgt. Dunlop, Alta Area; WO 2 Ferguson, HQ Western Command; Maj. Nickerson, Alta. Area; Capt. Clarke, 2 PPCLI; Cpt. Hamilton, 13 Coy. RCASC; Mr. Hazen Codner.

'C' League: Cpl. Leveque, Sgt. Rogers, 2 PPCLI; Sgt. Hidson, Sgt. Snider, HQ Western Command; Spr. Couture, Cpl. Mousseau, 13 Wks. Coy.

Referees:

Maj. Johnston
Sgt. Patterson
Cpl. Von Hagen

Everyone in our organization has volunteered his service and all working very hard to ensure that the boys have a good season of hockey. In addition, we would appreciate very much the support of the parents, both Mother and Dad, by coming out to all leagues games. A schedule of games will be given to each boy in order that his parents will know when their son(s) will be playing.

'A' League games will begin at the Gardens early in December. 'B' and 'C' League will not commence their scheduled games until ice is available on the open air rinks in Griesbach. In the meantime, they will practice at the Gardens according to the schedule shown below. The Tyro League will continue skating practice every Saturday.

All fathers who have boys in any of the three leagues who would like to volunteer to transport the boys to the Gardens on Saturdays may do so by contacting the Chairman of the league concerned:

'A' League — Lt. Pollock, Home 424-8653, Office Loc. 504.

'B' League — Sgt. Turnbull, Home 477-7362, Office Loc. 233.

'C' League — Maj. Wozny, Home GR 9-4977, Office Loc. 257.

LADIES' CURLING ASSOCIATION

Did you know that curling can be traced back nearly four hundred years? It was only a century ago though when the stone was rounded, that any great progress was made in the game. When we use words like bonspiel, curl, draw, hack, hog, skip, tee and wick, we preserve the antiquity of the game.

It was overheard that a beginner, when told by her skip to be sure and clean her rock, replied, "Oh, haven't they been cleaned today?" I suppose what with, "be on the broom and watch your weight," it can all be a bit confusing at first.

Friday, November 30th, the ladies took time out from curling to have our president Vera Hitchman presented a gift to Sgt. Coomb: "Johnny" is leaving for sunnier sports. He will be sorely missed, and our sincere thanks and best wishes go with him. We can't help feeling a little smug, as he said that we had made excellent progress in our curling.

December 1st saw our first ladies bonspiel of the season, with eight rinks entered from Namas, Griesbach Business Girls, and Griesbach Ladies Club. The Bruen rink of the business girls won the "A" event, with the King rink placing second. The "B" was won by the Freeman rink of the Ladies club, and the Patterson rink of the business girls placed second.

Jan Johnston, our social convenor, with the help of Mary Digweed, Yvonne Robertson and Bessie King, outdid themselves at our invitation game December 7th. The lounge said welcome with green cloths on the tables, white china, and centerpieces done in a Xmas motif. Incidentally, the husband of one of the girls made them, very clever Don.

Rinks came from Crestwood, skipped by Marie Collier, Derrick — Eileen Cottam, Royal Glenora — Ruth Wallace, and the Shamrock — skipped by Barb McCourt, Royal Glenora went home with the loot. Remarks heard here and there furthered the feeling that it was a most successful day. Well done girls.

"In fine frosty weather, let a' meet thegither,
Wi' brooms in their haun's an' a stane near the 'T'
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Report from 2 PPCLI General

2 PPCLI's Boxing Team is taking shape again and the prospects look very good. Our inter-company competition was just completed and the spectators were treated to some fine bouts. We feel that we should be just as successful this coming year as we were in 1962.

While on the subject of boxing, we should congratulate Lcpl. RETI for his fine show in Australia at the BEG. He won a Bronze Medal, which is very commendable.

All ranks are looking forward to the exercises in the New Year. Perhaps with some apprehension however!

OFFICERS' MESS

The year is almost over, and looking back over the events in the Officers' Mess it has certainly been a successful one. We feel that 1963 will be an eventful one for all.

On Wednesday, 5 December, 1962, the Mess held an extremely successful formal dinner for Brigadier MacDonald, the new Brigade Commander. The Subalterns again entertained the other Mess members with another 'trial' of sorts. This time Brigadier MacDonald was tried, found guilty and pronounced to be an Honourary Lumper. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

December is to be a very busy month with a full schedule of social events. On December 20th the Mess held a Decorating Party and Turkey Shoot. This has become an annual event and draws a large number of members.

The Mess held its annual Tea-Dance on Boxing Day. This also has become an annual event and we are looking forward to a large turnout from the city itself.

On the 28th December, we were "At Home to the Sergeants, and, of course, we are holding a New Years Eve Ball. This year it was combined with the Loyal Edmonton Regiment (3 PPCLI) and provided an opportunity for the renewal of old acquaintances. These combined events, we find, are greatly enjoyed by both units and our friendship becomes closer.

SERGEANTS' MESS

We have had considerable activities in the Mess lately. Our "Meet the Members Night" went off without a hitch, the "Old Timers" making a real night of it.

Bingos are still in operation and in addition we've had a couple of dance evenings which went off very well.

The Sgts. demonstration their ability in sports once more, by severely trouncing the officers at Curling. We noticed in the last GRIESBACH BUGLE the Officers'

Mess bombastically announced winning (2) volleyball games from the Rifle Coys. However we feel these laurels are very tarnished as they haven't so much as mentioned sports in front of a Senior NCO, and as far as we are concerned "They are still licking their wounds and wallets", as the Sgts. are expensive winners. (Three years undefeated).

So as you can see the Senior NCOs are enjoying life (at expense of the Officers) and the future offers more of the same.

CORPORALS' MESS

1962 opened many new horizons in the Mess, beginning with a combined New Years Eve Ball with the Privates which proved most successful and all members are looking forward to the one planned for 1963.

Many alterations were made to the Mess during the past year; one in particular was the folding partition installed between the Privates' bar and the Corporals' bar, which enlarged the Corporals' Mess considerably. This extra space has been converted into a Games Room, for which we've purchased a new Shuffleboard. A Shuffleboard League was formed, and by the way, it is doing very nicely for its first year. The old Games Room has been converted into a T.V. Room, with the original T.V. Room now being used for a Mixed Lounge with the added enjoyment of a stereophonic combination radio set, and also many new records. It looks as though the Corporals' Mess prospered in this period of austerity.

Social activities were not as frequent in 1962 as in '61, with only a Birthday Dance being held on March 17 in honour of the Regimental Birthday. However, we're certainly looking forward to a gala season in '63.

April and May brought with them the familiar sounds of drill movements on the square in preparation for the inter-company drill competitions and the Trooping. The Trooping once again was highlighted by the combined efforts of the Privates and the Corporals in the magnificent Trooping Ball.

On June 16th the Mess closed its doors and once again members invaded Wainwright for another summer of exercises and, on their completion, a month of leave.

September came, and with it members returning from their leave, the Mess once again returned to normal. A new Mess Committee was elected and many social functions planned, beginning with a most successful Hard

Times Dance on October 31, where added enjoyment was had by the presentation of live pigs and chickens as prizes to the winners of the Door Prize and the Spot Dances. The final social activity of 1962 was the Turkey Bingo held November 30. Support of this event proved overwhelming.

Although the Mess lost many of its members during 1962, it gained many new ones. We wish all the very best in the coming year.

APPOINTED DEPUTY DIRECTOR



Major J. P. A. Coulombe, CD, of Montmagny and Quebec City, Que., has been promoted lieutenant-colonel and appointed deputy director of Chaplain Services (RC) at Army Headquarters.

An officer in the Royal Canadian Army Chaplain Corps he has been serving as Area Chaplain (RC) at Eastern Quebec Area, Quebec City, Que.

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 Room 09:45 a.m.
 Creche — 3 years and under,
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 ACC — 1st Sunday 12:00 noon
 1, 2, 3, 4, 5—Sunday 09:00 a.m.
 UCC — 4th Sunday 12:00 noon
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 Tuesday 8:00 p.m.
 Intermediate (13 - 17) and Senior
 (18 up) Choir — Wednesday
 7:00 p.m.
 Junior Choir (9 - 12) — Wednes-
 day 4:00 p.m.

NEW YEAR'S

"What's new?" is a common enough expression today and along with it that one we so often hear spoken ironically, "So what else is new!" Newness is something we almost worship. Television commercials try desperately to convince us that a certain product is best because it is "new". "Planned obsolescence" is almost a trade term with industry and is part of business of creating a desire to have everything new. Nothing old fashioned or out of date for us. If it's new it's bound to be good. So we are led to think and so we believe. This is, of course, a lot of nonsense.

There are some things that are as old as the hills and yet as new today. Time has done nothing to them except to point out their strength and greatness. They are unchanged and unchanging and yet for the New year that lies ahead they contain all that we need in wisdom and guidance.

"Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are lovely, report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

This is that "new product" we can all stand in our lives.

Happy New Year!

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 Sunday, 6 January — Epiphany
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 Confessions: 30 minutes before
 Masses
 Benediction: 7:15 p.m.

NEW YEAR

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of Our Lord's Circumcision, which coincides with the civil holiday of New Year's Day. Today people show their affection and good will toward one another by the traditional greeting: "Happy New Year." If we really mean in our hearts what these words express — that we desire all our fellow men to be happy — we are practicing true Christian charity.

However, happiness is a word that admits of many meanings. To some persons a happy New Year means a year in which they will be free from sickness, have a good income and enjoy an abundance of the pleasure of life. In a word, these persons center all their happiness in the goods which this world gives, without any thoughts or desire of spiritual blessings or the joys of life eternal.

To one who accepts in a practical way the teaching of Jesus Christ and of the Catholic Church a happy New Year means a year spent in the grace of God, and in the performance of good deeds. Every one of us has the opportunity of making the coming year happy in this way. God's grace will not fail us; but we must give our cooperation.

To get the greatest measure of spiritual blessing from this year, we must receive the sacraments frequently. We must pray regularly and frequently, so that we may obtain the grace we need to overcome the attacks of the world, the flesh and the devil and abide in God's friendship. We must begin each day with the good intention, offering to God, out of love for Him, all the thoughts, words and deeds of the day. Thus we can make even the slightest actions meritorious for eternal life.

We know not what the year now beginning may bring to each of us. Doubtless for some it will be a year of prosperity, for others a year of pain and sorrow. For some who are present here today, this may be the last New Year's Day of their lives. Death spares no one, not even the youthful and the strong. But if we remain close to God we have nothing to fear. As long as we remain in His grace, this will be a happy year, whatever it may bring.

Pray that God may grant you a happy New Year in the supernatural sense. And when you say "Happy New Year" to others to-

day, intend it as a prayer that God's grace may abide in their souls during the entire year!

H. Leduc, Capt.
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BAPTISMS:

Terry Lynn, daughter of Pte. and Mrs. J. C. Dupe.
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 Brenda Marlene, daughter of Pte. and Mrs. F. Erietz.
 Gale-Ann-Marie, daughter of Sig. and Mrs. J. T. Gallant
 Francine Evelyn, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. L. K. Coulas.
 Gerald Charles, son of Cpl. and Mrs. C. A. LaLiberte.

C.W.A. NEWS

Since the deadline for this edition was December, there isn't much news to report. It does give me the opportunity though to pass on some interesting information I have just heard.

Groups organized by Mrs. Mary MacDonald have been donating their time to help out at the Marian Centre. Once a month C.W.A. members spend an evening sorting clothes, mending, preparing vegetables or any one of a dozen such jobs. All report it as a rewarding experience.

This non - denominational welfare centre has a permanent staff of only nine. They are members of the Madonna House Apostolate, a group of lay missionaries. There are approximately ten mission serviced by this order, both in Canada and foreign countries.

According to the director, they depend wholly on public donations; there is no assistance from civic or diocesan funds. They give aid in the form of food and clothing to families as well as single men. Equally as important as these physical aids, they provide a place for companionship, guidance, and relaxation to those who otherwise would look for them in bars, beer parlors or street corners.

At present the Centre serves seven hundred meals a day. During the harvest season, the number dropped to 350, but has steadily risen as the temperature fell. The peak has not yet been reached. Many men are employed by the Postal Service. These men will not be paid until January, so are dependent on the Centre to keep them going until then. Lunches are prepared for these as well as the regular meals. Before winter is over, the director expects to be serving 800 per day.

We hear so much about how unaffectionate our employment system is, and are constantly being bombarded by inaccurate and misleading figures. I found the facts given by the Marian Centre director very interesting. Approximately 15% of the men are old age pensioners; 5% are misfits or those unemployed because of

mental deficiency; only 5% are classed as alcoholics.

Any volunteers who have an evening free would be welcome. Perhaps there are some women

feel they can't afford the time for the social aspects of organization, but who would enjoy spending an evening in this way. Call Mrs. MacDonald for more information.

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Guest Musician Praises Local Band

EDMONTON — "I feel privileged in having had the opportunity to work with this extremely talented group of musicians" was the comment made by Mr. Russell Stanger, Assistant Conductor of the New York Philharmonic orchestra, following an appearance as guest conductor of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry

"The discipline, sensitivity and warmth of expression achieved by this group in the rendering of difficult symphonic arrangements is", he continued, "unusual in a military band and reflects credit on those responsible for their training."

Mr. Stanger, who has been in Edmonton and Calgary for more than a month to appear as guest conductor with the Edmonton Symphony and Calgary Philharmonic Orchestras, last week accepted an invitation from Capt. H. A. Jeffrey, Director of Music, PPCLI Band, and Capt. A. Brown, Western Army Command's Inspector of Bands, to conduct a rehearsal period Edmonton's Regular Force Military Band at their Calder band room.

Commenting on the "morale and cohesive spirit within the band", Mr. Stanger said he

thought he would miss his string section in conducting a military band playing from a symphonic transcript.

"On the contrary", he said, "the warmth and feeling for music displayed by these musicians was for me a most rewarding experience."

For five members of the PPCLI band, playing under the direction of Mr. Stanger was not a new experience as they had answered his baton before during the first three concerts of the season by the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra as members of this orchestral group.

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